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December 17, 1999

William D. Moeller, President
Clifton Mining Company
70 West Canyon Crest Road, Suite D
Alpine, Utah 84004

Re: Approval of Extension Request for Posting Interim Surety, Clifton Mining Company, Cactus Mill, M/045/049, Tooele County, Utah

Dear Mr. Moeller:

On December 15, 1999 we received your request for a 30-day extension to submit a \$27,000 "interim" surety bond for the Cactus Mill, which was due November 30, 1999. The reason behind this request for an extension was that the form your bonding company had approved was our old bond form and the new bond form would require a new approval from the surety company. This is the last extension we can grant for you to submit the interim surety.

As we did not receive a Notice to Conduct Large Mining Operations, the information you submitted to us and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in response to the BLM's notice of noncompliance, will be considered your Large Mining Operation (LMO) plan. We will put this on our review list as of this date.

Please let me or Wayne Hedberg know if we can expedite the bonding process. We will keep you informed on the progress of the LMO review.

Sincerely,

Tom Munson
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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cc: Mary Ann Wright, DOGM
Wayne Hedberg, DOGM

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